



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 551

January Session, 2013

Substitute House Bill No. 6606

House of Representatives, April 17, 2013

The Committee on Human Services reported through REP. ABERCROMBIE of the 83rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) The Commissioner of Social
2 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Children and
3 Families, shall conduct a study of programs for children and families
4 offered by the Department of Children and Families.

5 (b) The study conducted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
6 shall include, but not be limited to, a report on: (1) Whether current
7 programs offered by the Department of Children and Families meet
8 the needs of children and families, and (2) whether any programmatic
9 or legislative changes are needed to better protect and serve children
10 and families.

11 (c) Not later than July 1, 2014, the Commissioner of Social Services
12 shall submit a report on the results of the study done pursuant to

13 subsection (a) of this section, in accordance with section 11-4a of the
14 general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General
15 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children and
16 human services. Such report may include the commissioner's
17 recommendations for addressing identified gaps in the provision of
18 services and improving access to such services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2013	New section
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Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 1(a), "Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families" was changed to "Commissioner of Children and Families" for consistency and in section 1(c) the first sentence was redrafted for conformity with the style of the general statutes.

HS *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Department of Social Services to study programs for children and families and to submit a report to the General Assembly. There is no fiscal impact.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None



OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 15 Nay 3 (04/02/2013)